

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena

September 2002

Location	Date	Time Local/ Standard	Path Length (Miles)	Path Width (Yards)	Killed	Number of Persons Injured	Estimated Damage Property	Crops	Character of Storm
INDIANA, Northeast									
Adams County									
5 E Decatur	18	1800EST			0	0	0		Thunderstorm Wind
Emergency management reported a shed was blown over.									
Huntington County									
Huntington	19	1520EST			0	0	0		Thunderstorm Wind
Newspaper reported a tree knocked down onto power line near the Homier Distributing corporate office.									
Miami County									
Macy	19	1535EST			0	0	0		Thunderstorm Wind
Emergency management reported trees blown down.									
Kosciusko County									
Warsaw to Milford	19	1548EST 1555EST			0	0	0		Thunderstorm Wind
Law enforcement reported trees were reported blown down in Warsaw, Leesburg and Milford.									
Noble County									
Ligonier	19	1605EST			0	0	0		Thunderstorm Wind
Law enforcement reported tree limbs knocked down power lines in Ligonier. Power lines were also reported down 4 miles south of Wolcottville.									
Lagrange County									
Topeka	19	1612EST			0	0	0		Thunderstorm Wind
Law enforcement reported 3 trees blown down.									
Elkhart County									
4 S New Paris	19	1615EST			0	0	0		Thunderstorm Wind
An off duty NWS employee reported large tree limbs down.									
Steuben County									
3 S Hamilton	19	1700EST			0	0	0		Thunderstorm Wind
HAM radio operators reported several large tree limbs down.									
Blackford County									
5 SW Hartford City to 5 NE Hartford City	20	1510EST 1520EST	10	75	0	0			Tornado (F1)
NWS officials reported the tornado touched down and lifted numerous times along the path. This tornado was produced by the same parent supercell that produced several tornadoes in the Indianapolis WFO CWA. Most of the damage occurred as it passed through Hartford City. A building at Ag Best, a fertilizer plant, was torn apart. Vehicles were also damaged at this business. The 4-H building suffered damage to its south and east sides. Numerous reports of trees and power lines were noted along the track, with trees falling down across from Southside school in Hartford City.									
Blackford County									
Montpelier	20	1535EST			0	0	0		Thunderstorm Wind
Newspaper reported a large tree was uprooted.									
Jay County									
1 E Dunkirk to Bryant	20	1540EST 1600EST			0	0	0		Thunderstorm Wind
Law enforcement reported trees were uprooted just east of Dunkirk. The storm then caused damage 7 miles northwest of Portland. A barn was leveled as well as tree and chimney damage at one residence. Another barn was leveled and a garage damaged about a mile north of the other destroyed barn. Trees were reported down in Bryant as well.									
Adams County									
4 W Monroe to 6 NE Decatur	20	1545EST 1600EST			0	0	0		Thunderstorm Wind
Emergency management reported several trees were blown down west of Monroe. A few hundred feet from the damage, a trampoline was wrapped around the top of a large tree. A barn was also destroyed 6 miles northeast of Decatur.									
Grant County									
4 E Marion	20	1606EST			0	0	0		Thunderstorm Wind
Ham radio operators reported trees down.									

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MICHIGAN, Extreme Southwest

St. Joseph County

Sturgis to Colon	19	1635EST 1645EST			0	0	0		Thunderstorm Wind
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Law enforcement reported trees were reported down on the road in Sturgis, Nottam and Colon.

Branch County

Bronson to Sherwood	19	1650EST 1657EST			0	0	0		Thunderstorm Wind
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Law enforcement reported trees down.

OHIO, Northwest

Van Wert County

Scott to Van Wert	19	1730EST 1732EST			0	0	0		Thunderstorm Wind
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Tree and power lines were blown down in Scott and Van Wert.

Allen County

Spencerville	20	1515EST			0	0			Thunderstorm Wind (G56) ^M
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Emergency management reported a tree down as a result of the wind gust.

Allen County

5 E Delphos	20	1541EST 1542EST	0.1	25	0	0	50K		Tornado (F1)
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Emergency management reported power lines and large trees were blown down. 6 homes suffered shingle and window damage.

Putnam County

1 W Vaughnsville	20	1545EST			0	0	0		Thunderstorm Wind
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Storm spotters reported power lines down in the area.

Van Wert County

Van Wert to 3 NNE Van Wert	20	1615EST 1617EST	4	100	0	0			Tornado (F0)
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County Emergency Management reported the tornado touched down at 300 yards north of Kear Road in the city of Van Wert and 300 yards east of John Brown Road. It continued on the ground for around 4 miles, causing roof damage to 3 homes, as numerous trees twisted and snapped. A barn was also damaged by the tornado. The tornado lifted 1 mile east of US-127 and 1/2 mile north of Convoy Rd. There was another brief touchdown at US-127 and 1/2 mile north of Fife Road, where the tornado traveled roughly 100 yards before dissipating.